

7.5a Applications from Science and Statistics

Work done by a variable force: $W = \int_a^b F(x) dx$ Force can vary

Work = Force · distance $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Force is} \\ \text{constant} \end{array} \right\}$

A leaky bucket weighs 22N empty. It is lifted from the ground at a constant rate at a point 20m above the ground by a rope weighing 0.4 N/m. The bucket starts with 70N of water but it leaks at a constant rate and just finishes draining as the bucket reaches the top. Find the amount of work done.

$x=20$ $F=0$ bucket: $W = 22 \text{ N} \cdot 20 \text{ m} = 440 \text{ Nm}$
 $x=0$ $F=70$ water slope = $\frac{70-0}{0-20} = -3.5 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}$
 $F = -3.5(x-0) + 70 = -3.5x + 70$
 $W = \int_0^{20} (-3.5x + 70) dx = 700 \text{ J}$
 rope $F = -0.4(x-0) + 8 = -0.4x + 8$
 $W = \int_0^{20} (-0.4x + 8) dx = 80 \text{ J}$
 $+ 440 \text{ J}$
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How much work does it take to pump all the water over the rim of a cylindrical tank of height 10ft and diameter 10ft?

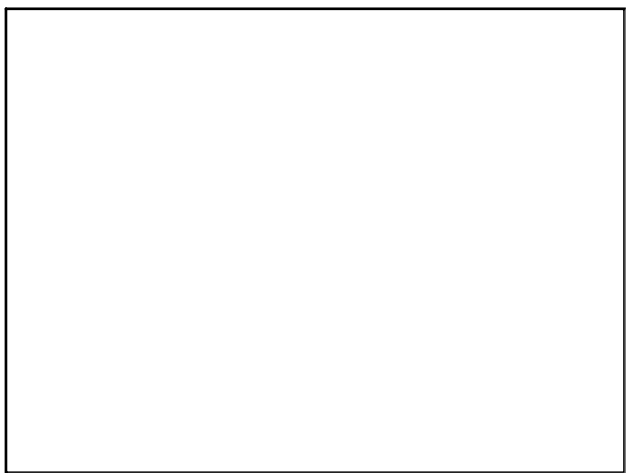
$\Delta W = \text{work for one slice}$
 $\Delta W = \text{Force} \cdot \text{distance}$
 $\Delta W = \text{weight} \cdot y$
 $\Delta V = \pi r^2 \Delta y$
 $\uparrow r=5$
 volume of slice
 $W = \int_0^{10} 62.4 \cdot \pi \cdot 5^2 (10-y) dy$
 $= 245,044$
 $W = \int_0^{10} 62.4 \cdot \pi \cdot 5^2 \cdot y dy$
 $W = 245,044 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb}$

A conical tank of height and diameter 10ft is filled to within 2 ft of the top with olive oil weighing 57 lb/ft³. How much work does it take to pump the oil to the rim of the tank?

$\Delta W = \text{Force} \cdot \text{distance}$
 $= \text{weight} \cdot \text{distance}$
 $= 57 \cdot \Delta V (10-y)$
 $\Delta V = \pi r^2 h$
 $h = \Delta y$
 $r = x$
 $x = \frac{1}{2}y$
 $W = \int_0^8 57 \pi \left(\frac{1}{2}y\right)^2 (10-y) dy$
 $= 30,561 \text{ ft} \cdot \text{lb}$

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